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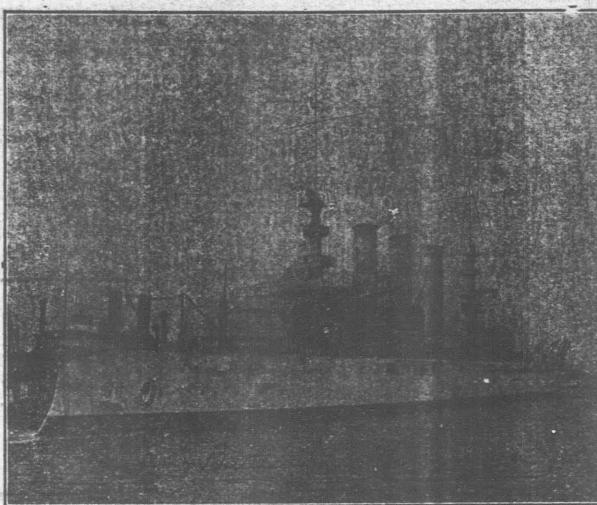
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FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

The baby ducks are just as well off, in fact better, without water to swim in until they have grown their crop of feathers.

Keep your hens from straying over on the land of your neighbor. Be particular about this if he has any crop growing there.

Give the houses a good cleaning, and plow or spade up the yards. Dirty houses breed vermin, and polluted soils are incubators for the gape worm.

Give the turkey hen and her brood a coop large enough for the mother to move about and stand erect in, and you won't be so apt to have bad flock.

Guinea fowl will now be laying, and a watch must be kept on their nests, as it is their nature to hide them. The eggs had better be hatched by hens.

If fowls must run at large on range over a farm, by all means keep up the brood, and give them all the time, knowledge and attention possible. You will have something of which you may be proud, and that will profit you financially as well.

This is the month that gapes are more or less prevalent on heavy soils. Chicks should not be brooded on the same ground that was accorded to chicks afflicted with the disease last year. Place them on ground that was never before used by poultry.

A field is not fenced when the bars are down.

Don't put away steel tools wet; dry them first, then oil them.

Lift up your eyes occasionally. All good things aren't in the furrows.

The boy smokes cigarettes behind the barn because dad smokes cigars in the open.

Never lead a colt at the end of a long strap. Men have been killed in this way.

Cut your clover while it is in the bloom. Dead-ripe clover is just about spoiled, so far as feed is concerned.

After all it is the producing power of the farm that determines the boy in going or staying. Show him that there's money in it, and he will stick to the old farm like a sandpiper to a sheep's tail.

Don't let the back step be unisglished to the announcement by Senators Aldrich and Hale that their Senatorial terms will by their own volition end on the 4th of March next. These Senators are the head of the little coterie in the Senate that has very completely ruled in this highest legislative body for a long term of years. Mr. Hale, I believe, is seventy-four years old and Mr. Aldrich eighty-six.

They belong rather to a past political era than that of the present. They are both in a degree provincial, "down-East" statesmen and are not in accord with the broader, more modern and more progressive sentiment of the nation. The oncoming younger class of statesmen as represented by Cummings, Beveridge, LaFollette and Doliver, more nearly represents the feeling of the nation with reference to domestic and foreign policies.

There continues to be considerable interest in the question of an international exposition to celebrate the completion of the intercoastal canal at Panama. New Orleans, San Diego, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Washington are all reaching out for the exposition. Considerable rivalry is already apparent and these five cities are looking toward Congress for money. Congress has had much experience with exhibitions at Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, Buffalo, New Orleans and Seattle. All these were in a sense provincial exhibitions. It is time and need that we should have a distinctively National exposition. The city of Washington has reached that degree of expansion and prominence that even if it were not the capital of the country, it would be entitled to celebrate an event so emphatically national. It is time that the European and Asiatic world, and I may say the American world also, should learn that there is a capital of the United States. The government at the capital should celebrate the most stupendous accomplishment in the completion of the greatest work ever undertaken by man. There is but one logical place for such a celebration. It can be held at Washington at one-half the expense, not only to the nation, but to the hundreds of thousands that will visit it, as compared with the other cities mentioned. The foreign countries that will send exhibits of art and manufactures to the Exposition can do it more effectively and economically by sending them to Washington than by sending them across the continent to San Francisco or Los Angeles, or by the Gulf to New Orleans.

There is nothing better to use under carpets than old newspapers as moth proof than printer's ink.

To remove a fresh mildew stain wet in cold milk and then rebake it in a rather cool oven. Cake that has been treated in this way will taste as if it had been newly baked and may be eaten by any one. Stale bread may be treated in the same way.

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To remove a fresh mildew stain wet in strong soaps, cover with a paste of salt and soap, and put in the rain.

Ink, fruit or vegetable stains on fingers are inexorable, as they can be easily removed. The quickest eradicator is a piece of pumice stone. Wet before using and rub steadily, but not vigorously, as the skin may suffer.

To try tomato juice instead of milk for the omelet.

White egg poured over a burn will give quick relief.

Honey is said to be a good substitute for cod-liver oil.

A weak solution of salt water will brighten matting.

Every cellar should be thoroughly whitewashed at least once a year.

When the skin seems too dry, use less soap and more cold cream.

Sponges are great germ collectors. They should be frequently cleaned.

Water shot never be used to clean gilt frames. Use a dry, soft cloth.

To take out iodine stains, sponge as quickly as possible with pure alcohol.

Silver may be cleaned and brightened by letting stand half an hour in sour milk.

The best fluid to use in washing muslin dresses of delicate color is rice water.

Celery is a good nerve tonic; and it is said that it helps to ward off rheumatism.

Granadine, unless of too long standing, can usually be removed by alcohol.

Never throw out sour milk. The best buttermilk and waffles, the spongeliest lightest sweet cakes and delicious boiled salad dressing can be made from it.

Vanilla extract should be kept in a dark place, as it loses its strength when exposed to the light.

Windows can easily be kept bright and clean when the screens are in by rubbing with a flannel wrung out of alcohol.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23d, 1910.

The past week has furnished nothing

starting from a legislative or

executive point of view at the capital of

the United States. But there is not the

slightest abatement of interest in the

political situation which is seriously dis-

cussed wherever men of information and

pronunciation in political affairs come to-

gether. The election of Havens, Demo-

crat in New York, to succeed Perkins,

Republcan, deceased, and this election

reversing a 10,000 Republican majority

by a 5,000 Democratic majority, practically

changing 15,000 votes, is regarded as

extremely significant of general dissatis-

faction with the national political situa-

tion and program. As far as can be dis-

cerned, the dissatisfaction is mainly with

the tariff bill of the special session and</p

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EUROPE'S TRIBUTES TO ROOSEVELT

History has more than once recounted the story of a Pompey and a Caesar in triumphal pageantry "passing the streets of Rome," with vanquished monarchs, "to grace in captive bonds their chariot wheels," but never yet has it portrayed the scene of a simple private citizen of another land being received amid even wilder acclaim with the greater "pomp and circumstance" of sovereigns voluntarily honoring his peaceful entry into their own capitals. And yet such seemingly high flown language but speaks the sober truth of current history when used to describe the unparalleled welcome and honors that have everywhere greeted Mr. Roosevelt clear from the ancient city of the Pharaohs, past old Tiber's famous Rome, through splendid Paris quite to the gay Belgian capital—with other triumphs no less notable yet to be given him in England and Germany. A world's journalism, has spent its polyglot eulogy in praise of this remarkable private American citizen; while in his native land, to the credit of a sometime partisan press, too often as blind to the virtues of its political opponents as to the vices of its own friends, it has chivalrously cast aside all rancor of criticism or biting jibe of envy to join the universal paens of applause that are greeting this fellow countryman of theirs.

And yet amid this wide note of jubilation—sounding stridently above the whole chorus of praise—rises one jackassical bray in solitary dissonance—that of Mr. Chancellor Day, the salaried funkey, whose pious creed is "There is no god but Greed and Oily John is his Prophet." This fool college president—alack for the youth who imbibe from this long-eared Arnold their notions of Sense and Truth—sees little to praise in Mr. Roosevelt, but with assinine prescience only beholds in him another budding Caesar or Napoleon; and so un-corking his small vials of spleen, he busies himself, so far as his puny malice can, to mar a great international picture.

It is absurd enough this concerted attempt of the little fellow to stay the great ocean of praise that is sweeping so mightily onward that all others of his most bitter critics stand dumbfounded and silent at the rare spectacle. It makes one think of the old lady, Mrs. Partington, Sydney Smith has handed down to immortality by picturing her industriously engaged in mopping up the North Sea that was intruding into her back yard.

But we know what would turn Mr. Day's venom into songs of adoration—some of the stuff that bids him sing so everlastingly the praises of this petticoat hero of his even, to exalting him above the great Washington. Had Mr. Roosevelt a big pile of boodle to proffer him, that reverend egotist of Syracuse, would promptly enough begin "crooking the pregnant hinges of the knee that thrift might follow fawning."

THE LIGHT AND WATER NOMINEES

Indeed it warmed the cockles around the heart of THE TRANSCRIPT editor to see so many of our best citizens showing such an interest in the town's affairs as to attend the consultations held to consider the important question of the Town's light and water. And he was also gratified at the big attendance at the town meeting held in the old TRANSCRIPT building Tuesday evening to nominate candidates in the places of the four members who recently passed out of the Board. Again, he would speak words of praise and satisfaction at the happy issue of that meeting wherein four citizens of such repute and ability as business men were named, and yet once more would express on behalf of the community his and their thanks to those gentlemen for being willing to assume a public task so onerous and sometimes so thankless.

It is no small thing to ask a busy man to leave his own affairs and conduct gratis public matters of so much difficulty and the public should appreciate the civic patriotism that prompted the old and also prompts the new board to do so.

In the opinion of many, the remedy for some of our troubles in this direction is the consolidation of the two Town Boards into one.

NULIFICATION IN 1910

Since the legislature of South Carolina in 1832 passed its silly Nullification Act, nothing at once so absurd and so ineffectual has been done in the legislative way as this attempt of the Maryland Solons to override the Constitution of the United States; and the state is to be congratulated that it had in Governor Crothers an executive with the good sense to sit down on the foolishness.

What eleven states together were unable to accomplish in the sixties, will hardly be done by one in 1910.

A WIZARD

A man who thinks he has the correct dope on the subject says that a blonde has 140,000 hairs to brush every morning while a brunnette has but 109,000. If he struck an average he must be a wizard. There are lots of blonde at present who travel under false color."—Ex.

THE TRANSCRIPT knows several gentlemen about the town who have for years been parting their scanty locks with a towel who couldn't "scare up" half of 109,000 in the whole bunch.

S. S. CONVENTION

A Great Gathering at Which Big Speakers Were Present

The annual state Sunday School convention of Delaware, was held in West Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, on Wednesday and Thursday. Speakers of national reputation, bringing the latest expert methods in Sunday school work, including W. C. Pearce, of Chicago; Miss Corn N. Coates and the Rev. Edwin H. Delt, of Philadelphia; W. G. Landis, general secretary for Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Lottie T. Brockson, of Blackbird, spoke before the 400 delegates who attended the convention.

The "model school" information on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock was an interesting feature and an innovation in Sunday School conventions. The conventions separated into the division that now compose the model and modern school, and each section was taught by experts.

The beginners were taught by Miss Anna Smedley, of Wanamaker's Church, Philadelphia; the primary department by Miss Cora Coates of Philadelphia; the juniors by Miss Maggie Wilson, of Seaford, and the missionary lesson by Mrs. William S. Pritchett, of Central Church, Wilmington.

Thursday morning the following officers were elected. Robert G. Houston, of Georgetown, president; recording secretary, I. Elmer Perry, Wilmington; treasurer, George J. Chandler, Centreville, vice president—New Castle, H. S. Goldey; Kent, Gamaliel Garrison, Kenton; Sussex, J. B. Gilchrist, Milford.

Executive committee—New Castle county, George J. Chandler, one year; D. B. Malone, Townsend, two years; James F. Price, Wilmington, three years; Kent county—J. B. Gilchrist, Milford, one year; George M. Jones, Dover, two years; George C. Herring, Felton, three years; Sussex county—S. M. Messick, Bridgeville, one year; Thomas P. Scott, Lewes, two years; B. F. B. Woodall, Milford, three years.

The names of the officers were presented by the Rev. Alexander Alison, Jr., chairman of the nominating committee.

Her Hand in Burglars

Dropping her arm into the hand of a burglar while she was asleep, was the experience of Miss Bessie Miller, of State Road, early Wednesday morning. Miss Miller is only 15 years old, but despite her tender age she displayed considerable courage after making the undesirable discovery. Instead of snatching her hand away and covering her head under the bedclothes the plucky girl leaped from her bed and called for help.

For a few seconds the burglar was startled by the courage of the child, and not until the child's parents answered her call for help did the burglar break the grip and escape through a window. The burglar took with him a box of cartridges which he took as a safeguard no doubt to prevent Samuel H. Miller, the girl's father, from using in his gun should he be discovered in the house.

Miss Miller, in telling of her experience, said the burglar was a young white man. She said he had no time to be scared, but screamed that her father might catch the man. She said she was sorry the fellow had made his escape.

The girl attends the New Castle High School.

Road Improvements

Levy Court Commissioner Daniel Thompson, of the Fifth district, takes exception to an article published regarding the State road. This piece of road about which there has been criticism is the termination of the present good road to Hare's Corner. Mr. Thompson said it is well to remember that when the good roads bill passed the Legislature it named the roads that were to be improved. The Hamburg road was named in the bill, and it was built. Mr. Thompson said the other road would be improved in its turn. Mr. Thompson added that small roads are not being improved and the State road neglected. The work will be done by the State.

TRUSTEES LAD THEY PAID MORE

The Trustees of Fair Ground, Coblekill, N. Y., were glad to pay 15 cents a gallon more for Devoe; and no wonder. Two other paint agents said it would take 150 gallons of their paint to cover the buildings.

The Devoe agent put it at 125 or less. It took 115.

Devoe saved them 35 gallons of paint and painting (worth \$4 to \$5 a gallon, as the painting costs two or three times as much as the paint) less 15 cents a gallon on 115 gallons. Say \$140.

That's how to count the cost of paint. The cost of putting it on is \$3 or \$4 a gallon. You see what that means. Go by Devoe.

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MEAT INVESTIGATION ENDS

St. Louis, Mo., April 21st.—In the belief that he has all the evidence needed to begin outer proceedings against the meat packing companies, Attorney General Major brought the meat investigation to a close.

The attorney general said he would begin court action within thirty days. Attorneys for the packers, after adjournment, said the facts which they gave willingly would not furnish a legal basis for an outer action. The National Packing company, the holding corporation for the Armour, Swift and Morris interests, which has been shown to own the St. Louis Dressed Beef and Provision company, had been pronounced a legal corporation.

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Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 1:05 p. m., 6:00 p. m. and 8 p. m.
Going South—7:30 a. m., 1:05 p. m., and 1 p. m. for Odessa—7:30 a. m., 1:05 p. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:45 p. m.
For Wilkes-Barre, Cresson and Harrisville 8:30 a. m., and 4:45 p. m.

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Local News

Cora planting next.

Business is brisking up.

Strawberries are in bloom.

Job printing done at this office.

Advertise and you'll boom trade.

There is a difference between a hoodoo and a who-don't.

Fruit is safe and prospects are there will be plenty of it.

Western fruit is reported to have been killed by a severe snow storm.

May flowers should be abundant if April showers can help them.

Bulb Garden Seed at

EVANS' EXCHANGE STORE.

FOR RENT—Pneumatic Cleaner, Makes housecleaning easy. J. H. EMERSON.

FOR RENT.—The "Solway Stable" East End of Main street. G. E. HUKILL.

Choice Seed Oats for sale.

EVANS' EXCHANGE.

I pay the highest cash prices for all kinds of Fur. W. C. JONES.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson will examine your teeth and give estimate without charge.

Northern grown Seed Potatoes. Prices right. At EVANS' EXCHANGE STORE.

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If you use Pilebury's Best Flour, let us have your order.

MIDDLETOWN FARMS, Inc.

Mr. A. Fogel has purchased the stock of goods of Walter Monroe, and is disposing of same at private sale.

Mr. Leon DeValinger secured a position in Wilmington and moved his family to that city on Wednesday.

LAUNDRY—Send your laundry to Turner Bros., Wilmington, for first-class work. J. WILLIAM BEASON, Agent.

FOR SALE—A Deering binder, 7-foot cut, in good condition; will be sold cheap. D. R. RANS.

Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of Butter and Eggs. W. C. JONES.

If you have a visitor of any news items we would be pleased if you would do us the kindness to pass it into the paper.

All kinds of fresh and salt Meats, Sausage, Scrapple and Lard constantly on hand. W. C. JONES.

Our personal column can be made more complete and interesting if our readers will send notices of entertainments and visitors.

Unless the cost of living is reduced the majority of us will either have to go back to the simple life or "over the hills to the poor house."

Messrs. Rupert Burstan and Alfred Connellee, two of the graduates of the Middletown High School, will enter Delaware College this fall.

Mrs. E. M. Stanger has moved into the house on East Main street vacated by Mr. Johnson, who moved his family to Wilmington on Monday.

FOR SALE—Earlans and Stone Tomato plants at W. T. Connellee's store and George Davis' store in Odessa.

GEORGE W. KOHL.

On last Sunday morning the treasurer's report of the Forest Presbyterian Church was read and stated that the Endowment Fund of that Church now amounted to \$2,019.92.

Stored in our Warehouses all kinds of FERTILIZERS for SPRING CROPS. Send your teams and we will give them prompt attention. JESSE L. SHEPHERD, Phone 5.

We can now supply you with Bran, Middlings or Scurves Horse Feed. We would be pleased to have your order.

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Have your Live Stock Insured against death from any cause, in the Indiana & Ohio Live Stock Insurance Co. For rates write to John J. Jolls, Agent, Middletown, Delaware.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending April 21: Mr. James Caulbourn, Mr. Edwin H. Clark, Jr., Mr. Elwood Seney.

We now have on hand for sale 3000 good chestnut wire fence posts. Let us have your order and we will reserve the posts for you until you are ready to use them. J. F. McWENZEN & Son.

After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3:30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8:30; Saturdays, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8:30, for school children exclusively.

A regular meeting of the Republican County Committee of New Castle County will be held at the rooms of the Young Men's Republican Club, 810 King street, Wilmington, to-day (Saturday), April 30th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

EGGS FOR SETTING—Rose Comb Rhode Island Reds, by the setting or hundred. My stock of birds is the best money can buy, and as winter layers the Rhode stand at the top of the bunch. Write your wants to C. F. COCHRANE, Middletown, Del.

WANTED—A girl to learn telephone operating in Middletown. Apply in letter or person, to

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THE OFFICE.

Mr. C. A. Woodburn, of Blackbird Station, has sold his store out to Mr. G. C. Heald and returned to his home in West Virginia, where he intends to start in business for himself.

Selling out Monro store and household goods at less than half-price. Phonographs, Records, Wall Paper, Moulding, Paints, Jac-a-lac, Pictures, etc., etc., next door to Peoples' Bank.

Several members of Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P., will go to Wilmington next Tuesday evening, to hear Supreme Prelate Dr. Cob, of New Jersey, who will make an address on "Pythianism."

At the annual election for Trustees of Forest Presbyterian Church which was held on last Wednesday afternoon Mr. Howard A. Pool was elected president of the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Edward Reynolds.

The idea of teaching agriculture in the public schools in the State of Maryland has caught a firm hold on many educators, and a strong effort is being made to bring about the establishment of such a course, beginning with the Fall term.

Mr. John Voshell, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his wife near town several days this week.

Mr. Abram Hayden, of Philadelphia, was entertained by his sister, Mrs. E. A. Trout, on Sunday.

Miss Mamie Layman, of Clayton, spent Saturday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Crouch.

Mr. Herman Wilson, of Philadelphia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilson, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Crouch are spending this week with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Spicer, near town.

Miss Ethel Brady has been spending several days in Odessa, the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. B. Watkinson.

Mr. W. F. Metten, of Wilmington, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Metten, on Sunday.

Mr. Cuthbert S. Green was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Charles G. Ash, in Delaware City, Friday evening, two years.

Miss Mary Henry, of Cambridge, Md., is being entertained by Miss Eliza Green at her home on East Main street.

Miss Ada Scott was in Clayton Monday evening, where she attended the birthday anniversary of Miss Anna Talbot.

Mrs. Albert Price and Mrs. Walter M. Vansant visited their sister, Mrs. H. A. Dempsey, in Newport part of this week.

Mr. George Derrickson was a delegate from Forest Sunday School to the Sunday School Convention held in Wilmington, this week.

Mrs. Joseph Adams and Miss Marie Hemphill, of Philadelphia, were entertained by their sister, Mrs. Paul Messick, over Sunday.

Miss Bertha Jones and Mary Richards and Messrs. Norman Kumpel and Ringold Richards spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Crossland, near Delaware City.

According to an exchange there is a new religious sect out west who call themselves the Half-Weekers because its members believe in working only half a week. If this sect, would move into the east and change its name to Whole-Weekers they could greatly increase their membership.

Capt. John Paris of Wilmington, chairman of the Uniform Rank Committee, K. of P., and Dr. G. A. Burton and Mr. Harry Hunter of New Castle, were visitors to Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P., Wednesday evening. The object of Capt. Paris' visit was to organize a Uniform Rank in the local lodge, and 10 of its members have consented to join the Rank.

Grand State Councillor, H. S. Beaman; Supreme Representative, Joseph C. Jolls and Walter S. Letherbury were appointed a committee to organize the Uniform Rank. After business had been transacted, sandwiches, coffee, ice cream and cigars were served.

Every newspaper wants to publish the news. The better the paper the more prosperous it will be. Local news items are especially hard to run down. How many times have you, dear reader, been approached by the newspaper man for an item of news and told him that you knew nothing of interest. Probably at the time your family were away on a visit or some from out of town was visiting at your home. Of course you didn't mean to deceive the scribe, yet when you received your paper you wondered why your family or friends were not mentioned. A good way to avoid all of this is to kindly inform us of the facts or drop a note in the postoffice to the paper. The one item may not amount to much, but several columns of such news is the life of a local paper.

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SILVER LINING

BY ROLAND ASHFORD L'PHILLIPS

Palmer leaned over the wide, polished table. And that is your final answer? Absolutely final?

The little, luxuriously furnished office was dim in the half twilight. The sounds from the street, ten floors below, scarce reached the ears of the two occupants. From the top of the desk the whirling fan purred away the silence. Reeves, his face gray, his hands outstretched limply before him on the table, nodded sharply.

It is final, he said. You can do as you please about the disclosure. The matter rests entirely with you. I have not half the sum you wish to force from me. The proofs you hold are beyond denial.

But you are aware of the consequences. Mr. Palmer raised his heavy-lidded eyes.

I have considered everything. Reeve's voice was far from normal. I can only throw myself upon your mercy—if such a thing exists.

Fifty thousand dollars is a small sum for these proofs.

The air from the fan was grateful to Reeve's hot face. You are cowardly in bringing up this matter. They were true at the time—ten years ago; but since then I have squared myself.

No doubt. I can even believe you returned, indirectly, every cent of the money. But the fact still remains that you did take it, and if it comes to light at the present time, when you expect to be re-elected, the outcome can easily be guessed.

But I have proved to the people that I can be trusted. It is no affair of theirs what my past has been.

Certainly not! And Palmer smiled. The fifty thousand dollars is all that stands between their learning of it.

I tell you, Palmer, I haven't that amount to my name.

Raise it!

But how? Reeves sank back in his chair. How? Good God, man, I'm willing to do anything! It's the crisis of my life—my career!

But think what it will mean to you—to your friends!

I have thought—every moment for these three days. I'm all but insane. I've hated myself for mixing in the deal, and I've tried to live it down. Last election I voted against the Electric steel, in spite of all the pressure brought to bear on me. I have repeatedly told you how matters stand, and if you are cowardly enough to take this advantage against me—ruin every prospect that stands before me—then I am powerless to prevent it.

You are placing me in a very bad light, Palmer protested, after a moment's hesitation. Most any man in your circumstances would consider fifty thousand dollars a mere bagatelle in comparison with one's whole future, especially where it is as bright as yours, Reeves.

I wish you would leave the office, Palmer! Reeves's demand came tensely. I have given my final, decisive answer.

Palmer came erect to his feet, his eyes betraying surprise. Reeves had turned his back and was gazing dumbly out through the opened window. With a shrug of his shoulders Palmer went out, closing the door softly behind him. As it closed, Reeves went to his desk and wrote steadily for five minutes. Afterward he leaned back in the chair and read it slowly, deliberately. It was addressed to his wife.

Dear Molly:

I am leaving to-night for the West—where does not matter, for, after the time is passed you will understand. I cannot ask for your forgiveness, as you have always upheld a man's honor as his greatest virtue. I will not try to deny my guilt in the charges that will be brought to bear on me, but I have a sense of knowing that I have returned all the money I gained by it, and for the past ten years have never interested myself in a single act that would shame me. I am leaving everything to you, Molly; and as for myself, I will go away and start in anew, as I did before, at the bottom.

Sincerely yours, Sidney Reeves.

He placed the letter in an inside pocket. He took down the desk telephone and asked Central for a number.

Molly, he said, as the voice of his wife greeted him, I am called out of town, maybe for a week or longer. But don't worry. Have no time to explain now. Just wait for the letter. Good by.

He hung up before she had time to reply, and closed his ears to the frantic ringing of the bell.

His bag he kept filled with a few necessities against the frequent and unexpected out-of-town trips. He brought it out, found his hat, went out the door

Suddenly, with clinched hands, he paused. A horrible idea flashed boldly to him. Why should he labor to save the man? Soon the flames would come, and the man was securely pinned in their path. With Palmer out of the way, he would be free to return home-free to face the world and Molly.

For love of God! the voice came up from beneath him, do not let me stay here—and die like a—helpless dog!

And at the sound of the voice Reeves forgot his mad idea and plunged again to work feverishly. And after a while he dragged the half senseless man out and put him down upon the soft, wet grass. A ragged bruise stood out upon his forehead. Reeves tore off his shirt and carefully bound up the wound.

Now voices came, and looking up from his work, Reeves saw the train backing down, a dozen of the crew racing beside it. A big man, whom he took for a physician, came up to him. Reeves suddenly felt himself growing faint and sick.

I—I did the best I could for him, he stammered, as the other knelt beside the quiet form of Palmer.

If he lives he'll owe his life to you, the doctor returned.

Some men with a stretcher carried the senseless man ahead into the sleeper, while partly upheld by the physician, Reeves stumbled along behind.

When his eyes snapped open, Reeves found the bright sunlight streaming into his berth beneath the partly lowered shade. He hurried into his clothes and went to the toilet room. There he found the physician.

We're taking the man off at the next station, he spoke up, after a formal greeting. He passed a fairly good night, but I'm fearful of the wound on his forehead. Is he a friend of yours?

In spite of himself, Reeves nodded.

I think it would be a good plan for you to stop off for the day with him, the other resumed gravely. We must perform an operation as soon as we arrive at the hospital. A bit of broken bone is pressing down upon the man's brain.

It was a quiet little station where the train finally came to a rest. Reeves followed the men and the stretcher through the little depot and into the waiting ambulance. Reeves was given the courtesy of a vacant room at the hospital, and afterward went down into the private dining-room for breakfast. At noon the morning New York papers came in, and purchasing a bunch of them, he went out upon the broad, screened porch and read them through feverishly, word by word. Palmer had not spoken.

The drowsy afternoon passed away. Reeves watched the shadows grow longer and longer across the dusty road. And then abruptly, as he looked up, he saw the doctor standing in the doorway.

What you doing, Reeves? he exclaimed, with a sneer. Running away?

Mr. Palmer is still alive. He will pull through safely.

But that isn't all, Reeves interrupted studying the grave eyes. You are keeping something back!

I regret to state that, while I am satisfied the patient will live, the operation was not the success I expected. The clot on the brain was more severe than I realized. Mr. Palmer has completely lost his reason. His mind is now, and will continue to be, a blank.

Reeves was on his feet, gripping at the porch rail. The doctor had bowed himself away, but his last words still rang in the other's ears.

Mr. Palmer's mind will forever be a blank!

Something arose stormily in his throat. That meant—meant with the man's reason had gone all proofs. He was free to return home—to his office—to Molly. And yet another thought came upon him. He had forgotten the letter! By this time Molly was reading it. His own confession! What a bitter shock it would be to her! How she must loathe him! He paced back and forth across the porch, turning the thoughts over and over in his mind. And then, after a time, when the shadows were very dark and the stars came out, he determined upon his course. I am sole agent for this section.

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